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E.O. 11652: N/A TAGS: PINF

SUBJ: LEFTIST DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF U.S. COAL STRIKE

- 1. DURING LUNCH HOUR ON MARCH 14 APPROXIMATELY A DOZEN DEMONSTRATORS GATHERED IN FRONT OF THE CONSULATE BUILDING TO VOICE SUPPORT FOR CURRENT U.S. COAL STRIKE. DEMONSTRATORS CARRIED SIGNS CALLING FOR A BAN ON ANY AUSTRALIAN COAL GOING TO THE U.S. AND EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE US MINNERS. THE PLACARDS WERE SIGNED "SPARTACIST". THE DEMONSTRATION WAS ORDERLY AND LASTED APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MINUTES. CAMERAMEN FROM LOCAL TV STATIONS FILMED PORTIONS OF THE DEMONSTRATION. HOWEVER, FILM CLIPS HAVE NOT YET APPEARED ON LOCAL NEWS PROGRAMMING.
- 2. WHILE NSW POLICE DID NOT HAVE ADVANCE WARNING ON THE DEMONSTRATION, THEY DID HAVE OFFICERS ON THE SCENE. THE "SPARTACIST" GROUP IS A SMALL LOCAL TROTSKYITE ORGANIZATION. DAVIS

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